Notification of a Request for Authorization under the Degree-Granting Institutions Act

Date posted: September 14, 2006

Institution: University of Phoenix

Nature of Request: Authorization to extend the authorization currently granted for the advertisement

and recruitment for the distance learning offering of a degree program and its

specializations to include its offering at Washington sites

Program

to be Offered: Master of Science in Nursing with specializations in Health Care Education and

Integrative Health Care

Mode of

Delivery: In residence at currently authorized campuses and teaching sites in Bellevue,

Bremerton, Mountlake Terrace, Renton, Spokane, Tacoma and Vancouver

Currently Authorized Programs:

Resident programs:

Master of Science in Counseling-Mental Health Counseling

Master of Science in Counseling-School Counseling

Resident and distance learning programs:

Bachelor of Science in Business-Accounting

Bachelor of Science in Business-Administration

Bachelor of Science in Business-Communications

Bachelor of Science in Business-E-Business (in teach out mode)

Bachelor of Science in Business-Global Business Management

Bachelor of Science in Business-Hospitality Management

Bachelor of Science in Business-Information Systems

Bachelor of Science in Business-Integrated Supply Chain and Operations Management

Bachelor of Science in Business-Management

Bachelor of Science in Business-Marketing

Bachelor of Science in Business-Public Administration

Bachelor of Science in Business-Retail Management

Bachelor of Science in Communication

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration

Bachelor of Science in Health Administration

Bachelor of Science in Human Services (in teach out mode)

Bachelor of Science in Human Services-Management

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology-Software Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology-Visual Communication

Bachelor of Science in Management (in teach out mode)

Bachelor of Science in Organizational Security and Management

Master of Arts in Education-Curriculum & Instruction-Adult Education

Master of Arts in Education-Curriculum & Instruction-Computer Education

Master of Arts in Education-Curriculum & Instruction-English as a Second Language

Master of Arts in Education-Early Childhood Education

Master of Arts in Education-Elementary Teacher Education

Master of Arts in Education-Secondary Teacher Education

Master of Arts in Education-Special Education, Cross Categorical

Master of Arts in Organizational Management (in teach out mode)

Master of Business Administration

Master of Business Administration-Accounting

Master of Business Administration-E-Business (in teach-out mode)

Master of Business Administration-Global Management

Master of Business Administration-Health Care Management

Master of Business Administration-Human Resources Management

Master of Business Administration-Marketing

Master of Business Administration-Public Administration

Master of Business Administration-Technology Management

Executive Master of Business Administration

Master of Health Administration

Master of Information Systems (in teach out mode)

Master of Management

Master of Management-Human Resources Management

Master of Management-Public Administration

Master of Science in Administration of Justice and Security

Master of Science in Nursing/Master of Health Administration

Advertisement and recruitment only for programs offered via distance learning:

Associate of Arts in Accounting

Associate of Arts in Business

Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice

Associate of Arts in General Studies

Associate of Arts in Health Administration

Associate of Arts in Information Technology

Bachelor of Science in Business-Finance

Bachelor of Science in Health Administration-Health Information Systems

Bachelor of Science in Health Administration-Long Term Care

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Master of Arts in Education-Administration and Supervision

Master of Arts in Education-Curriculum and Instruction

Master of Arts in Education-Curriculum and Technology (in teach out mode)

Master of Science in Nursing

Master of Science in Nursing-Health Care Education

Master of Science in Nursing-Integrative Health Care

Master of Science in Nursing/Master of Business Administration with a specialization in Health Care Management

Doctor of Business Administration

Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership

Doctor of Educational Leadership/Curriculum and Instruction

Doctor of Health Administration

Doctor of Management in Organizational Leadership

Doctor of Management in Organizational Leadership-Information Systems and Technology

Background:

University of Phoenix has operated in Washington State since 1996. It has been accredited by the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges (NCA) since 1978. It currently offers programs in Washington state at locations in Bellevue, Bremerton, Mountlake Terrace, Renton, Spokane, Tacoma and Vancouver.

Nature of the Review:

Prior to granting authorization to offer, advertise or recruit for new degree programs in Washington State, the Higher Education Coordinating Board/Degree Authorization reviews elements such as program outcomes, course requirements, method of course delivery, faculty credentials, and student services.

The program to be offered by University of Phoenix appears to meet the requirements of the Degree-Granting Institutions Act.

Information on the additional program can be found at University of Phoenix website as follows:

Master of Science in Nursing-Health Care Education

Master of Science in Nursing-Integrative Health Care

Timeline:

The HECB plans to make a decision on this request by September 28, 2006.

Any individuals with knowledge that may indicate the institution and/or the program does not meet the authorization requirements of WAC 250-61 are requested to submit comments to: DAA@hecb.wa.gov.

If you would like to know more about the current law and regulations that govern the program, the statute is RCW 28B.85 and the regulation is WAC 250-61. They can both be found at the following link: <u>Statutes and Regulations</u>.